

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

705

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1414

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1414 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO METAL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to deter scrap metal theft by making permanent the law that established a misdemeanor offense for thefts of metal beer kegs and imposed various additional documentation requirements for scrap dealer purchases of beer kegs, otherwise known as Act 53, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008.

Anheuser Busch Companies testified in support of this bill. The Department of the Attorney General, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaiian Electric Company, Hawaii Electric Light Company, and Maui Electric Company submitted comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by inserting language that makes permanent the:

- (1) Definition of copper in section 445-231, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS); and
- (2) Requirements for the purchase or sale of scrap metal that is defined as copper.

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Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1414, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1414, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary,

  
JOSEPH V. KARAMATSU, Chair



